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b3 distance from the outlet to limit the distance the tip is inserted into a body cavity during use, the limiter being located along a plane passing through a longitudinal axis of the irrigation assembly; and ¹⁶³

b1 a base plate, said base plate having an upper and lower surface, a rear end and a front end, and first and second ports in the base plate, one to receive and secure the fluid line and one to receive and secure the irrigation assembly to provide fluid for passage through the irrigation assembly, at least one of said ports being located at said front end, said base plate having at least a portion sized to fit between the toilet seat and the toilet bowl when the seat rests against the bowl.

b2 3. (Amended) The toilet attachment of Claim 2, wherein the channel is a groove having a cross section configured to hold a flexible tube and an opening at the upper surface of the base plate smaller than the diameter of the tube but large enough so the tube can be removably inserted into the channel.

b3 ~~3.4~~ (Amended) The toilet attachment of Claim 3[4], wherein [a] the tube is placed in the groove and the groove receives the tube in a press-fit manner.

[In Claim 6, line 1, change "Claim 4" to --Claim 3--.

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164 ^{U-shaped} (Amended) A toilet attachment to be positioned between a toilet seat and a toilet bowl and to be connected to a fluid line, comprising:
a tubular irrigation assembly, said irrigation assembly comprising an irrigation tip having a longitudinal axis and an outlet in fluid communication with the fluid line;

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insertion limiter means disposed on said assembly; for increasing the flexibility of the insertion tip and for preventing insertion of the irrigation tip into a user's body cavity beyond a preset distance, the longitudinal axis of the irrigation tip and said insertion limiter means being coplanar [and extending from the irrigation tip along a plane containing the longitudinal axis]; and

a base plate, said base plate having an upper and lower surface, a rear end and a front end, said base plate receiving and securing the fluid line and the irrigation assembly during use and sized to have at ^{least} ~~fast~~ a portion fit between the seat and bowl as the seat rests against the bowl

18. ~~115~~ ¹² (Amended) A method for applying a toilet attachment for irrigating a body cavity, comprising the steps of:

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placing a support between a toilet bowl and a toilet seat to hold a fluid connector, the support comprising a base plate having an upper and lower surface, a rear end and a front end, and first and second ports in the base plate in fluid communication with each other, at least one of said ports being located at said front end, said base plate having at least a portion sized to fit between the toilet seat and the toilet bowl when the seat rests against the bowl;

removably connecting a fluid source to one of the ports [end of the fluid connector];
removably connecting ^{U-shaped} ~~an~~ irrigation assembly having an irrigation tip defining an outlet for fluid to the other of the ports [fluid connector] so fluid from the source can flow to and out of the outlet of the irrigation tip;

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furnishing the irrigation tip with ^{a limiter} ~~at least one portion~~ that changes the direction of the fluid flow by at least 90°; and

^{ins. 04} locating ~~that one portion a predetermined distance from a distal end~~ of the irrigation tip in order to limit insertion of the tip into a user's body cavity.

~~21.17~~ ¹³ (Amended) A toilet attachment for fluid irrigation of a body cavity, the attachment being for use with a toilet having a seat and bowl, comprising:

^{ins. 05} a tubular body ~~having a first and second end, said first end~~ being open so that fluid can be fed through said tubular body to ^a ~~said~~ second end;

an elongated irrigation tip connected to the second end of the tubular body, the tip having a longitudinal axis and holes to dispense fluid during use;

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^{ins. 06} an insertion limiter extending laterally from the irrigating tip, [in a plane containing a] the longitudinal axis of the irrigation tip and said insertion limiter being coplanar, said insertion limiter being [and] disposed on the tubular body at a preset distance from the irrigation tip to limit insertion of the tip into a user's body, said insertion limiter being adapted to increase the flexibility of the insertion tip; and

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a holder configured to removably connect to the tubular body and configured to have at least a portion interposed between the toilet seat and bowl when the seat rests on the bowl during use.

~~22.18~~ ¹⁸ (Amended) A toilet attachment for use with a toilet having a seat and a bowl, to irrigate a body cavity with fluid from a fluid line, comprising:

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a tubular irrigation assembly having an inlet configured to be placed in fluid communication with the fluid line and having an outlet, the irrigation assembly having an ^{assembly} ^{on} insertion limiter disposed on said tube at a preset distance from the outlet to hinder inserting the outlet more than said preset distance into a body cavity, the limiter extending laterally from the irrigating tip, the longitudinal axis of the irrigation tip and said insertion limiter being coplanar, said insertion limiter being adapted to increase the flexibility of the insertion tip [along a plane that contains a longitudinal axis of the outlet]; and

a base plate sized to fit between the toilet seat and the toilet bowl when the seat rests against the bowl, the irrigation assembly being secured to the base plate during use of the toilet attachment, the tubular irrigation assembly having at least one bend in the tube intermediate the base plate and the limiter to reduce the stiffness of the tubular irrigation assembly.

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39. A toilet attachment to be positioned between a toilet seat and a toilet bowl and to be connected to a fluid line, comprising:

a tubular irrigation assembly, said assembly having an outlet for fluid received from the fluid line, the irrigation assembly having a limiter disposed on said tube at a preset distance from the irrigation tip to prevent a user from inserting the tip more than said preset distance into a body cavity, the limiter comprising a loop [ring] having a plane that is parallel to the tube, the irrigation assembly having a U-shaped tube, said tube having a first and second end, said first end comprising an irritation tip; and